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### Field Crops Report

As of April 28, **alfalfa** harvest progress was reported as 50 percent not being harvested, 7 percent light, 22 percent moderate, and 21 percent active. **Alfalfa** condition was reported as 10 percent poor, 26 percent fair, 34 percent good, and 30 percent excellent.

**Cotton** was reported as 65 percent planted, compared with 62 percent last year and 62 percent for the five-year average.

As of April 28, 93 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 85 percent of **Winter Wheat**, 95 percent of **Barley**, and 89 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as headed. As of April 28, 11 percent of **Durum Wheat**, 5 percent of **Winter Wheat**, 12 percent of **Barley**, and 8 percent of **Other Small Grains** were reported as mature.

### Livestock, Range and Pasture Report

**Range and Pasture** conditions were reported as 18 percent very poor, 51 percent poor, and 31 percent fair. **Livestock** were reported to be in good condition. **Stock Water** was reported as adequate. **Soil Moisture** was reported as short. **Insect Damage** was reported as light.

### Fruit, Vegetable and Specialty Crops Report

Producers in central Arizona shipped cabbage, carrots, mixed greens, head lettuce, leaf and romaine last week.

Western Arizona producers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, mixed greens, salad savoy and swiss chard last week. Western lettuce shipments included boston, iceberg, leaf and romaine.

Last week citrus producers in central and western Arizona harvested tangerines, grapefruit and valencias.

### Weather Summary

Temperatures for most of the State were again above average for the week ending April 27. Temperatures ranged from 1 degree above normal at Casa Grande, Gila Bend, and Yuma, to 5 degrees above normal at Phoenix, Safford, and Willcox. The highest temperature of the week was 98 degrees at Coolidge and Gila Bend, while the lowest reading was 19 degrees at Flagstaff. Slight precipitation was reported at 6 of the 17 reporting stations. Precipitation ranged from 0.01 inches at Casa Grande, Coolidge, and Winslow, to 0.12 inches at Prescott.

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**Weather Information Table (temperatures, precipitation, and/or growing degree days)**

**TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION DATA  
 FOR THE WEEK APRIL 21 TO APRIL 27, 2002**

Station	Temperatures				Precipitation 2/		
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Normal to Date
Canyon De Chelly	54	3	81	27	0.00	0.37	2.55
Casa Grande	70	1	96	41	0.01	0.47	2.57
Coolidge	68	4	98	42	0.01	0.24	2.88
Douglas	63	3	90	31	0.00	1.33	1.86
Flagstaff	44	4	74	19	0.07	0.99	8.04
Gila Bend	73	1	98	47	0.00	0.08	2.02
Grand Canyon	45	4	74	20	0.00	0.94	5.46
Kingman	60	3	86	36	0.00	0.19	3.44
Parker	73	2	96	55	0.00	0.00	1.71
Payson	55	2	81	30	0.03	0.85	7.30
Phoenix	72	5	96	55	0.00	0.19	2.45
Prescott Airport	53	4	81	30	0.12	0.75	3.17
Safford Ag Center	64	5	94	32	0.00	0.21	2.06
Tucson	68	4	92	44	0.00	0.67	2.56
Willcox	60	5	88	31	0.00	0.86	2.49
Winslow	56	2	82	24	0.01	0.90	1.75
Yuma	73	1	94	54	0.00	0.00	0.92

1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.

2/ Daily precipitation totals 5 a.m. to 5 a.m. instead of midnight to midnight. Periods of record used in computing "average to date" for precipitation and "departure" for average temperatures may be obtained from National Weather Service, Phoenix.

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